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(Internal Use Only - ME) LIAISON After several attempts, I finally reached Mr. Bob Old, on the Senate Armed Services Committee staff, on his request for any information CIA could locate on speeches by Fidel Castro wherein he mentions Senator John Tower (R., Texas) by name. I read to Mr. Old an excerpt from a speech given by Premier Fidel Castro on 24 November 1963 alleging that Lee Harvey Oswald obtained money for his return to the U.S. by appealing to Senator Tower. Mr. Old thanked me very much for all our research efforts and asked that a copy of the excerpt be sent to him. This is being sent today.

(Unclassified - MG) LIAISON Received a call from Jeff Strandberg, in the office of Senator Dale L. Bumpers (D., Ark.), who requested a copy of the unclassified Agency publication entitled "Estimated Soviet Defense Spending: Trends and Prospects." I told him I would forward a copy to him.

(Unclassified - DFM) LIAISON Accompanied Dick Neu and Emory Simon, National Security and Internal Affairs Division, Congressional Budget Office, to a meeting with OER/NFAC, regarding the TRADAR computer program which enables analysts to rapidly access unclassified information on foreign trade published by the Census Bureau and other sources. Neu and Simon were told that there was no practical way that they could utilize the Agency's system but that they

were welcome to duplicate it if possible.

(Unclassified - DFM) LIAISON Accompanied OGC, to a meeting with Keith Raffel, Mark Gitenstein and Mike Gelacak, all of the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff, regarding the report of the Subcommittee on Secrecy and Disclosure entitled "National Security Secrets: Their Proper Place in the Law." reviewed OGC's numerous objections to language in the report and as a result, the staff members said they would postpone the scheduled Committee consideration until next week. Gitenstein asked for a letter from 25**X**1 General Counsel, covering these points.

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